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Kagnew Station (Éthiopia) Reduction

REF:

(a) State 9837 (NOTAL)

(b) Addis 260 (NOTAL)

Final decision made that 1. Kagnew will be closed by 30 June 1972 with phased implementation to begin as soon as IEG informed. Revised planning figures EXXX for reduction of 565 military, 17 US civilian and 39 local hire personnel. As stated ref (a) Army will continue operate base support activities until FY 74 when it is planned Navy will assume entire mission

and base support responsibilities

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- 2. You are authorized, consequently, to proceed inform IEG along lines scenario outlined in ref (b).

 If question on future level of military assistance posed as contemplated para 14(e), you may say that Ethiopia will continue to receive the largest share of grant specific security assistance funds in Africa but that the/level will depend on Congressional appropriations.
- in personnel at Kagnew 3. If queried, we intend respond that cutback/is in keeping with our policy of effecting economies as conditions and technology permit whenever and wherever possible.
- 4. You should notify Washington and all addressees when IEG has been informed so reduction plans may, as appropriate, be carried out on unclassified basis.

 Details of reduction and any reference to should, of course, be tightly held.

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